



# MINUTES

## Service Committee of the Legislative Council

June 16, 2006

Second Meeting of the 2005–2006 Biennium

### MEMBERS PRESENT:

Representative Christopher C. Rants, Chairperson  
Senator Amanda Ragan, Vice Chairperson

Senator Michael E. Gronstal  
Senator Mary Lundby

Representative, Dolores M. Mertz

## MEETING IN BRIEF

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- I. Procedural Business.
- II. Consideration of FY 2007 Budget and Personnel Report of the Legislative Services Agency.
- III. Consideration of FY 2007 Budget and Authorization of Positions of the Office of Citizens' Aide/Ombudsman.
- IV. Consideration of Policies and Procedures.
- V. Materials Filed With the Legislative Services Agency.



## **Service Committee of the Legislative Council**

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### **I. Procedural Business.**

**Call to Order.** The Service Committee of the Legislative Council met on Friday, June 16, 2006, in Room 22, State Capitol, Des Moines, Iowa, from 8:27 a.m. to 8:47 a.m.

**Election of Chairperson and Vice Chairperson.** The Service Committee elected Representative Rants as Chairperson and Senator Ragan as Vice Chairperson of the Service Committee by voice vote.

### **II. Consideration of FY 2007 Budget and Personnel Report of the Legislative Services Agency.**

The Service Committee considered the proposed budget and budget allocations for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2006, pursuant to Iowa Code section 2.12, as submitted by the Legislative Services Agency.

The Service Committee also received and filed the annual personnel report from Mr. Dennis Prouty, Director of the Legislative Services Agency, recommending that the following employees be promoted, reclassified due to restructuring, or given an exceptional meritorious increase. All promotions proposed are subject to performance review with approval of an effective date to be determined by the director of the agency.

- Mr. Matt Kruse, from Senior Finance Officer, grade 31, step 5, to Senior Finance Officer 2, grade 35.
- Mr. Bob Lamberti, from Legislative Document Technician 2, grade 22, step 3, to LIO Officer 1, grade 24.
- Ms. Nancy Dugan, from Legislative Document Technician 1, grade 19, step 3, to Legislative Document Technician 2, grade 22.
- Ms. Cindy Thurmond, from Legislative Document Technician 1, grade 19, step 2, to Legislative Document Technician 2, grade 22.
- Ms. Jacki Ellenwood, from Legislative Document Technician 1, grade 19, step 2, a one step exceptional meritorious increase.
- Mr. John Bellizzi, from Computer Systems Analyst 2, grade 29, step 3, to Computer Systems Analyst 3, grade 32.
- Ms. Robin Madison, from Legislative Analyst 2, grade 32, step 3, to Legislative Analyst 3, grade 35.
- Ms. Jennifer Acton, from Legislative Analyst 2, grade 32, step 3, to Legislative Analyst 3, grade 35.
- Ms. Ann Ver Heul, from Legal Counsel 1, grade 32, step 4, to Legal Counsel 2, grade 35.
- Ms. Emily Gardyas, from Legal Counsel, grade 30, step 2, to Legal Counsel 1, grade 32.
- Ms. Chris Fisher, from Legislative Document Technician Supervisor, grade 28, step 7, to Systems Analyst, grade 32.
- Ms. Gina Garrett, Legislative Document Technician 3, grade 25, step 3, to Legislative Document Technician Supervisor, grade 28.



- Ms. Rhonda Fowler, Legislative Document Technician 2, grade 22, step 5, to Legislative Document Technician 3, grade 25.

Senator Gronstal moved to approve both the proposed budget and the personnel report of the Legislative Services Agency. The motion was approved by a voice vote. The Service Committee commended Jacki Ellenwood on her superior performance and excellent service deserving of an exceptional meritorious increase.

### **III. Consideration of FY 2007 Budget and Authorization of Positions of the Office of Citizens' Aide/ Ombudsman.**

The Service Committee considered the proposed budget and budget allocations for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2006, pursuant to Iowa Code section 2.12, as submitted by the Office of the Citizens' Aide/Ombudsman and received and filed the annual personnel report from Ms. Ruth Cooperrider, Deputy Citizens' Aide/Ombudsman, recommending authorization of two additional positions, the current Legal Counsel position which has been filled for the past few years by the Deputy, and one new assistant position. The additional positions relate to the new whistleblower functions of the Office as assigned per the 2006 government accountability legislation. Senator Gronstal moved to approve both the proposed budget and the authorization for the two positions. The motion was approved by a voice vote.

### **IV. Consideration of Policies and Procedures.**

The Service Committee discussed the proposed changes to the Legislative Council Policies and Procedures and deferred adoption of the proposed changes until the next Service Committee meeting.

### **V. Materials Filed With the Legislative Services Agency.**

- FY 2007 budget for central staff agencies.
- June 2006 annual personnel report from the Legislative Services Agency.
- June 2006 annual personnel report from the Office of Citizens' Aide/Ombudsman.

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